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FLAT OBJECTS

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**Amendment**

Sir:

Introductory Comments

In response to the Office Action dated October 9, 2009, Applicant responds as follows: